

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 1999-323-C and 2000-265-C - ORDER NO. 2008-331

MAY 1, 2008

IN RE:	Application of Access Integrated Networks, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Local Exchange and Interexchange Telecommunications Services Statewide)	ORDER GRANTING
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)	EXPEDITED REVIEW
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	Application of Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. d/b/a Birch Telecom d/b/a Birch for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Resold and Facilities-Based Interexchange (Toll) and Local Exchange Telecommunications Services within the State of South Carolina)	
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the request for a waiver of the Notice of Publication regarding the request for a proposed name change to Access Integrated Networks, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications, and Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications. Expedited review is also requested. This name change is driven by the recent acquisition of Birch Telecom of the South by Access Integrated Networks. According to the Application, this name change does not affect the rates, terms, or conditions of service currently provided to the two companies' South Carolina customers.

Because of the fact that rates, terms, or conditions are not affected, we hereby grant waiver of the Notice of Publication, and also grant expedited review.

We have examined the requested relief and have determined that it should be granted. Accordingly, the names of the Companies shall be changed to Access Integrated Networks, Inc., d/b/a Birch Communications, and Birch Telecom of the South, Inc. d/b/a Birch Communications.


This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:


C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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